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Parking problem or walking problem?

BY DONOVAN RUMMEL
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When everyone arrived this year they surely noticed an increase in traffic, as well many vehicles parked both illegally and dangerously. Is this a sign of a parking issue on campus or does it reflect a lack of convenience?

We currently have approximately 2,015 faculty, students, and staff members on campus. That number includes adjunct professors and commuter students. Saint Leo University's official number of parking spaces on campus is 1,342. This amount comprises 66% of the student population in comparison to 2003's 50%. Although the students outnumber the parking spaces, not all of those people have vehicles. Saint Leo University does not count the overflow parking spaces behind the apartments or the spaces in the dirt road behind University Technology Services in the official count. This means that the actual number of available legal parking spaces is close to 1,412, which brings the average of spaces to 70% of the student body.

"We have [many] on-campus freshmen," said Kenneth Posner, Assistant Vice President for Student Services.

He also noted that while Saint Leo University had a large group of incoming freshman, there was also large a group of seniors to leave last semester, so it all balanced out. According to Campus Safety, there are about 130 unoccupied spaces available at any time during the day. Many of these spaces are located in the new parking lot by the tennis courts. There has been an increase in illegal parking since the beginning of this semester. As a result, security has written over 1,100 tickets since August 24.

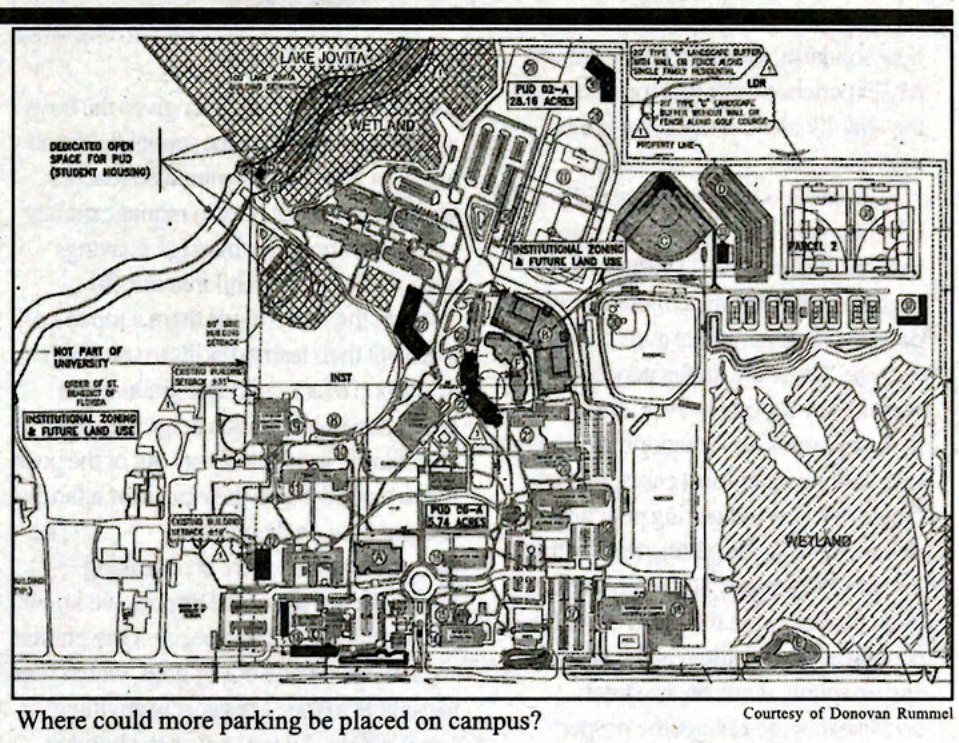
"We just don't want to walk. I park here most days at 10:30 and it's about half full," said senior Ashleigh Protus.

"I asked the contractor (working on the new softball field) and he said the lot is never more than a third full," said Frank Mezzanini Vice President of Business Affairs when speaking of the new parking lot.

This new lot contains close to 170 spaces. Most of these are available spaces during the day due to their location. To combat this problem, Frank Mezzanini plans on building a parking garage on top of the existing parking lot next to Henderson Hall and the softball field. This new lot will average $13,000 per spot, which is far less than the $20,000 per spot if he were to build this over the gym's parking lot. It seems the ideal situation would be to build a new lot and garage in the space between the soccer field next to the gym and the wetlands there. The issue presenting itself with new parking is the space constraints the university is under. There is a Saint Leo town law that requires a property to be left 50% green; this space is called dedicated open space. This open space, along with large wetland areas that cannot be built on or within 100 feet of there is very little space for any new parking lots to be built.

"It appears it all boils down to more of a convenience issue than anything else," said Robert Sullivan, Executive Director of Campus Safety and Security.

This parking dilemma is buzzing around campus and has been a popular topic for Saint Leo drivers. The Lions' Pride will continue to follow and report on this concern as it unfolds.



Where could more parking be placed on campus?

Courtesy of Donovan Rummel

Digitizing newspaper history

BY JUSTIN WHITE
Special to the Lions' Pride

How many students at Saint Leo are aware of the actions of the newspaper staff in April 1975, when they wrote a scathing editorial about the University's president wasting funds and raising tuition? Or the response of the college's Board of Trustees to abolish the official student run newspaper *Monarch*, causing the newspaper to return the next fall as a non-profit corporation funded by the community and a grant by the Student Government Association entitled *Independent Monarch*? Interested in how Saint Leo students and faculty responded to the first Gulf War? Or how the campus was affected by September 11?

This fall, Saint Leo University Archives will provide a digital collection of the University's student newspapers, beginning in 1967, all the way to Spring 2010. During the summer, University Archives worked with the Arcasearch company to complete this project. Arcasearch will now provide and maintain the searchable database used to access the scans of the newspapers. As time goes on, University Archives will be able to add material to the database pending availability of funds. This means not only adding new issues of the school newspaper, but also other University Archives collections, such as Saint Leo newsletters, magazines, yearbooks, or academic catalogs.

The Student Newspaper Archive collection is exciting news for the University. Saint Leo's student newspapers have been an important source for the college's history, giving the reader a sense of the mood and focus of the school at any particular time. When Dr. James Horgan wrote the centennial history of Saint Leo (*Pioneer College*), student newspapers provided pertinent information on the history of current events and the reactions of the Saint Leo community. The digitization of these collections provides a quick and easy search in what would otherwise be a very difficult process of sifting through piles of paper, unsure of exactly what to look for.

The Student Newspaper Archive is important to the history of the University, but making the Archive accessible for general use is even more important. Students will be able to get a sense of how far our University has come in such a short amount of time, a better understanding of the University's history, and perhaps will have a better idea of how great student influence actually is on Saint Leo. The database will be available via a link on the University's library website under *Archives*, as well as on www.arcasearch.com under Colleges & Universities.

Courtesy of Justin White

The Saint Leo University's newspaper logo from the 1970s

The Center of the Earth

BY GEORGE VANERON
Lions' Pride Staff Writer

Courtesy of George Vaneron
Group Posing in Ecuador

You never realize how someone else lives till you take a step in their shoes. During the summer, nine students from the freshman class got to see how that feels. If you are interested in study abroad and not really sure how you will like it, you should try one of the shorter trips Saint Leo provides. We went to Ecuador for ten days to see how solidarity transformed the culture. My experience from that trip changed the way I looked at myself and the world.

When you were younger, did you ever beg your parents for something that you really wanted? Well on the streets of Ecuador, the children would be selling little items like gum, candy, or scarves. These are things people would want to buy for themselves, or to give to their parents. In Ecuador the poverty was really bad; in most cases, the poor would just keep on getting poor and the rich would keep on getting rich. In this low income country, it is really hard to overcome being in the lower end of the economy. The children in this country end up selling items on the streets because they do not get the proper education they need to succeed in a real job.

We visited a place called the working center for boys which helped low income families. They give the families and children food and general rules to live by. The center gives the boys and girls education in the school field, and also in a trade. The center also teaches the children about how to manage money and how to properly manage a savings account. When the children are old enough, the center finds them a job to let them put their learned skills to use. With this group every child that graduates is guaranteed a job, which helps them and their family grow their way out of the poor life to a good life so they can start a family and put food on their tables. The places we visited were breathtaking. When we got out of the airport, we knew we were somewhere special. One church we saw was made out of gold, which was incredible to me. I never saw anything like it before. All we saw on the horizon were the mountains in the sky. The air was different because of all the pollution, but we knew we weren't in America. One day when I was climbing up a side of the mountain on the side of a waterfall I looked down and I saw the whole city of Quito. It was astounding. It made me think about all the happy things in life. It felt like I was on top of the world looking over everyone.

Everyone said how unsafe it was to walk around, and how careful you should be. When I was walking around I didn't feel like anyone was going to do anything to me. There were cops and security everywhere; they were always in full armor with guns in hand. They were even outside of all of the banks, almost every corner, and even the Burger king had some outside of it. If something was to happen security was really close to help.

This trip helped me see how other countries live outside of the United States. It was really weird to see how much money we spend on material items. In the little shops there were clothes that we would spend $100 on in the United States that was only $40 in Ecuador. A bottle of water was only thirty five cents. I felt really spoiled being there paying so little for these items. I bought a sweatshirt for $15 that is like a giant blanket. I can't believe how much companies profit off of us in the United States.

A really sad part of Ecuador was seeing all the stray dogs. The dogs were everywhere that we went. A majority of the stray dogs that we saw were sick and dying because they had not eaten in days. Ecuador does not have the resources to care for these stray dogs let alone their people. I think it is really sad that someone can't start something for these animals to help them and give them food.

Ecuador was one of the most amazing places to go visit. It changed my life and everyone else's life that went on the trip. Some of the students that went on the trip have something they loved about the trip and they want to tell you about their adventure.

"My journey to Ecuador was nothing short of amazing. I thought I would learn a lot, but I never would have guessed I would come back a different person. The day I saw the little children begging to shine someone's shoe for no more than a nickel to buy lunch that day made me have a complete change of heart. I saw things I never thought I would see such as the little kids going day to day just trying to survive. The families were selling all they could on the side of the streets for practically nothing to us Americans. They treat a dollar how we Americans treat a ten dollar bill. That's how it is, and it's very sad. I felt very happy to have learned everything I did and now that I have the knowledge, I will try and help families out. I can't wait to go back; one thing I realized is that they need our help," said freshman Erica Wagner.

"This summer when I was preparing to go to Ecuador with ten unknown freshman, I was beginning to worry, but once I arrived, all of my doubts disappeared. Climbing church towers, visiting markets, and zip lining highlighted the experience that I spent with my new friends. One of my best moments was when I was in the rainforest and was encouraged by George Vaneron, Sean DeJesus, and Erica Wagner to jump with them off of a waterfall into the pool below. Although the water was freezing cold, I would never take back the rush of adrenaline the moment my body hit the water after that first jump, and three times after! The Ecuador trip was such an experience of a life time preparing me to enter the Saint Leo University community with vigor and determination," said freshman Kate Mudgett.

From Across the Pond

Photo by Mary Frances Chuhinko
An Irish pond

BY MARY FRANCES CHUHINKO
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Top o' the morning to you, and bless your heart for reading.

This time last year, I had no idea that I would be spending the fall semester of my senior year in Ireland. It was quite a journey to get here and it all started with a text message from my friend, junior Brittany Rathbone.

It was Brittany's idea for us to study at the University of Limerick. I had always wanted to study abroad, but I was told that it was way too hard to get into the program. That, my friends, was not the case. It wasn't exactly hard; it just took patience and a lot of faith.

We had to fill out a study abroad approval form with our advisor, which basically said which classes we were interested in taking. We had to have our advisor, the dean, the registrars, and the study abroad officials' signatures. We had to have all that done and handed in before winter break started.

I hoped for the best, but I never really thought I'd get in. After handing the paperwork in, Brittany and I were placed on a waiting list within Saint Leo, since only ten students can study abroad each semester. So, I put the thought out of my mind. However, Brittany and I made a pact. We wouldn't go to Ireland unless we both got in. A real, "you jump, I jump" situation.

We got the news around late February that we had gotten off the waitlist. It was now time to pull out the big guns. We still had to apply and get in to the University of Limerick. I still didn't think I'd get in; it sounded way too good to be true. But to make a long story short, by early April, we were in. My mom was the first person I told, and she cried. Up to boarding the plane she still didn't want me to go. It's been quite a journey just getting here, but it is so worth it.

The campus is breathtaking. It's so much bigger than Saint Leo University! But at the same time, it feels really cozy. Brittany and I didn't know where or who we'd be living with until we got on campus. Turns out we got to live with each other in Kilmurry Village. That's the student housing which is closest to the sport fields and arenas, and second closest to the classrooms. Some people have to cross a highway to get to class! A big difference from Saint Leo is that besides Brittany, my other four roommates are guys! One guy is from Canada, and the rest are from Ireland.

There is no meal plan at the University of Limerick, but there are a bunch of pubs and restaurants. Brittany and I have been making our own meals to cut costs, but Brittany and I went to our first Irish Pub on our second night in Ireland. We went to the low key one with a few of the Irish students. It was amazing; we talked pop culture and clubs. Clubs and societies are very popular here, but I'll get more into that and my classes in the next issue.

Behind our village is the entrance to the river walk. It's a breathtaking walk from one part of campus to the next. Brittany and I have walked that path numerous times already and I'll leave you with a few pictures of my favorite place so far on campus.

Until next time,
Mary.

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La Dolce Vita

BY BROOKE KING
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Take a trip back to the days of the Italian Renaissance with Saint Leo students and friends. Discover all that Italy has to offer by signing up for the La Dolce Vita trip to Rome and Florence.

On November 19, this exciting new trip will take off for nine amazing days to Italy. The trip includes excursions into the bustle and beauty of each city, encountering the culture, historical sites, and sampling delicious cuisine. Each day ensures a new experience and memories to last a lifetime. The trip begins with a historical visit to Ostia Antica, and a guided tour of the city Rome that includes a trip to the Colosseum. The trip continues with planned adventures to Villa Borghese, the Catacombs, and many other wonderful features that Rome has to offer.

The second part of the trip begins on November 23 as the group will arrive in Florence. There will be a guided walking tour of some of the most famous places in the world, such as the Ponte Vecchio and the Medici Chapel. There is plenty of art and history to be seen at one of the greatest art museums in the world, the Uffizi Gallery.

This is a trip to remember, and an experience worth taking. For more information about the trip, please see Elisabeth Aiken or Karen Bryant. Please note that applications and a $500 deposit must be sent to Euro-American Tours almost immediately, and space is limited on the trip, so do not delay.

Oil Oil Everywhere

BY ALYSSA SCHUYLER
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The Gulf was hit with a shock wave of distress when just this last April, British Petroleum's ship, Deepwater Horizon, exploded in the Gulf of Mexico due to reported carelessness onboard.

According to J.A. Fahrenthold of *The Washington Post*, the explosion caused an estimated 206 million gallons to leak into the Gulf and ruin precious habitat for sea life and the livelihood for businesses based in Florida and Louisiana. Shortly after news of this disaster, tourist for the summer season started to cancel reservations and businesses would not buy the fish caught from the Gulf.

Fear of the oil spread quickly, as did the oil itself. Pensacola Beach was hit hard with the black oil spoiling the beautiful coast line. Cocoa Beach also had a run-in with massive amounts of tar balls. The fear was the loop current had taken oil around Florida and up to the East coast, but after investigation the Coast Guard found the tar balls that were landing on Cocoa Beach were unrelated to the BP accident.

BP admitted that the explosion was caused by avoidable errors, and they planned to make things right by taking responsibility. During the investigation, Truitt Crawford, a member of the crew for the drilling rig Transocean Ltd spoke with a Coast Guard.

"I overheard upper management talking, saying that BP was taking shortcuts by displacing the well with saltwater instead of mud without sealing the well with cement plugs. This is why it blew out," said Crawford.

Though BP had announced they intend to reimburse those who have lost money due to damage by the spill, many feel the pace is too slow and some have turned to attorneys to sue. President Obama stepped in and decided that BP would be held accountable for the damage they had done and has worked out a budget to help them pay the claims

"Let me be clear, BP is responsible for this leak. BP will be paying for the bill," Obama said.

On June 15 2010, President Obama broadcasted a speech detailing the severity of the spill and his plan to battle the oil. He also spoke about helping those affected and also about how to help prevent a catastrophe like this from happening again. With all the issues to rectify from this disaster, there is talk of BP heading for bankruptcy; however, there is still no clear road ahead for anyone personally affected by this. After many failed attempts to stop the oil from leaking into the Gulf, the oil leak was successfully stopped on July 15, 2010.

Now, just over four months later, on September 2, 2010, an oil rig owned by Mariner Energy Incorporated exploded. The rig is located 90 miles off the coast of Louisiana and is named Vermilion Oil rig 380. Thirteen workers jumped off the platform just as it caught fire. One worker was injured, and all were accounted for. The workers were picked up by a helicopter and flown to a hospital. After the news of the explosion, Mariner Energy Incorporated's stock dropped five percent to $22.30 according to the Public Broadcasting Service (PBS). An investigation is underway to find out if any oil is spilling into the Gulf. The Coast Guard says that the oil rig was not producing any oil at the time of the explosion, but on Thursday September 9, 2010 an oil sheen approximately 100 feet wide was seen by Coast Guard Petty Officer Bill Coklough according to Andrew Restuccia of The *Washington Independent*.

Survive the party

BY CHERALYN BARRINGTON AND KIMBERLY BILLS
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Imagine waking up in a strange bed with no recollection of what happened during the previous eight to ten hours other than having consumed two glasses of wine. Imagine meeting up with a friend of a friend, and being offered some wine poured from the other room. No big deal, right? The guy was spoken so highly of. Wrong. It turns out the guy getting the wine was getting more than just wine that night. He was getting the date rape drug. Imagine waking up hurt with an injured chin and never remembering exactly what happened the night before. Sounds pretty scary, right? That is what happened to Elaine Pasqua, the speaker for "*Surviving the Party*," which was presented in the Marion Bowman Center on Wednesday, September 15 at 7 pm. Not only did she share her story with those present, but she also shared facts and stories of others who have had unwanted consequences from using drugs and alcohol.

During her speech, Pasqua explained that she was passionate about speaking to people about the negative consequences of drug and alcohol consumption. She has been giving speeches on drugs and alcohol since 1995 and was nominated best speaker for the 2009 and 2010 *Campus Activities Readers Choice Awards*. Due to her personal experience and witnessing the chaotic experiences of those around her, she chose to speak on the subject matter and state the facts. Alcohol abuse is considered the number one high risk activity of college students. It is the cause of 40% of academic problems and lends a big contribution to college dropout rates. She explained that many people use alcohol as a "social lubricant" and the number one reason college students give for drinking is to loosen up and become more comfortable in social situations. The frightening thing is statistics show that people who use alcohol to be more comfortable in social situations before age 21 tend to stick to that pattern and carry it with them through life.

Pasqua, who had to quit drinking at age 25 due to health issues, encouraged students to become comfortable enough in their own skin to be the life of the party, even without consuming alcohol. In addition to alcohol and drug abuse contributing to academic descent, it can also lead to disturbing consequences. Each year, 97,000 students between ages 18 and 24 are victims of alcohol or date rape related sexual abuse. Pasqua asked her audience to raise their hands if they knew someone who had been a victim of a date rape drug, and hands all around rose to the air. Pasqua shared that the use of date rape drugs such as Flunitrazepam, commonly known as "roofies" has increased in prevalence. Not only do people use drugs like these to sexually take advantage of people but also to rob them. When a drug such as Flunitrazepam is slipped into a drink, it can cause extreme drowsiness, and a loss of consciousness, which can last as long as 12 hours. The victim is usually rendered unconscious and becomes helpless to the individual who slipped them the drug, leaving many scary possibilities. Pasqua also spoke about how alcohol consumption can result in sexual activity that otherwise would not have occurred and may end up being regretted.

Pasqua told her audience to ask the following questions before engaging in any sexual activity:

1. "Does this person respect me the way I respect them?"
2. "Do they have any possible STIs?"
3. "Will they look me in the eye tomorrow, or will they avoid me?"
4. "Will I regret this tomorrow or years down the road?"

She also recommended waiting until both parties involved are completely sober before making such an important decision. To help demonstrate how easy STIs are spread, she asked the audience to come down to the gym floor where she had tables set with small cups of water and sodium hydroxide. She then asked those present to mix the fluids in their cups with three other people and to then have phenolphthalein added. If the solution in the cup turned pink, then the person had contracted the "STI." At the beginning, there were only 22 cups with Sodium Hydroxide, but at the end there were 101. Beforehand, Pasqua had secretly asked two students to refuse to share fluids to show how hard it can be to say "no." STIs can be spread through more than just intercourse though, and she had students read hypothetical situations off of cards to show just how easily those infections can be spread. Any mixing of bodily fluids can lead to the spreading of STIs, including the sharing of needles for steroid or drug use

As difficult as it can be on a college campus, Pasqua said students should always think about the consequences of things.

"Keep things in perspective and put your goals first and foremost.It is okay to go out and have fun, but always remember to do it responsibly,"said Pasqua.

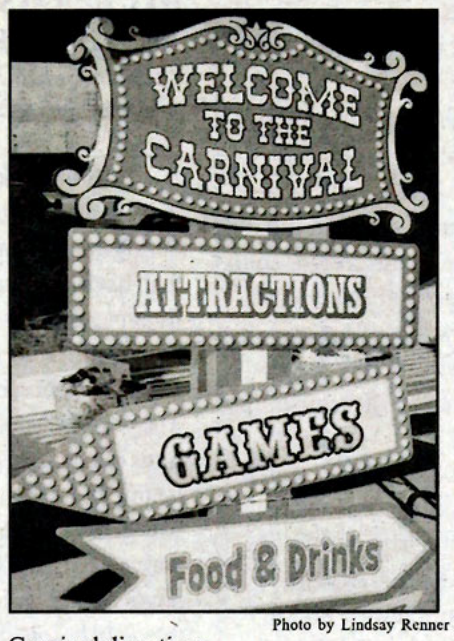
9/11 Memorial: Remembering those who have passed

A group remembering those who fell in the service of others. BY JESSICA PALL

Cafeteria extravaganza?

Photo by Lindsay Renner

Michael Dabdoub tosses a slugger at the dunk tank



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Carnival directions

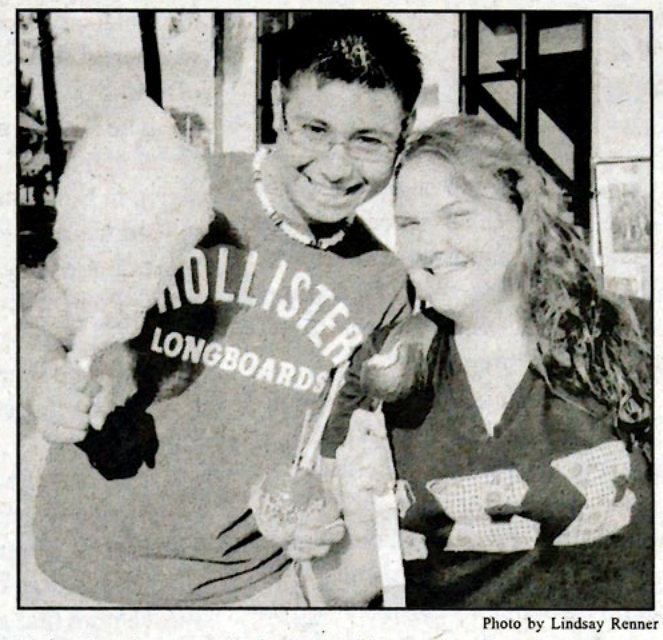

Photo by Lindsay Renner

Gabe Sanchez and Catherine Tallant enjoy the goodies

BY LINDSAY RENNER
Lions' Pride Advertising and Entertainment Editor

"It's the new Saint Leo dining experience" said Service Manager Robin Lavalle. Lavalle is not referring to a totally overhauled student menu; rather, she is referring to the carnival outside the cafeteria conducted by the dining hall workers on September 16, conducted in an effort to get Saint Leo students excited about their dining experience and break the monotony of the day to day."It's like I tell the parents. It's just like eating at the same restaurant every day, three times a day for a month. " said Rich Vogel, Director of Food Services. "If you eat there all the time, it's not your favorite restaurant anymore."

Vogel and Lavalle both agree that these carnivals-the most recent predecessor having taken place in February-are "part of a whole new program to create excitement" in Saint Leo students about their dining experience, and to keep them coming back to eat. Though the cafeteria holds special events each month, these carnivals are done on the grandest scale by far.

September's carnival featured a dunk tank, where students had the opportunity to dunk several familiar faces for a good cause. Admission for the tank was a can of food, which was then donated to Cornerstones, a women's shelter in Dade City.

Going wireless on campus

BY LINDSAY RENNER
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About two weeks after students returned to school for the Fall 2010 semester, an email arrived from UTS in inboxes all throughout the campus, warning students of pending internet connectivity issues. The root of the problem was not a lack of bandwidth adequate enough to support the entire campus, or a massive failure of the internet at the source. Rather, it was something much simpler: improperly installed student routers.

According to Les Lloyd, the Chief Information Officer at University Technology Services, the campus has an adequate amount of bandwidth. The campus internet is derived from two providers: Brighthouse and CenturyLink. However, neither internet provider directly provides the wireless access to campus; they simply provide the bandwidth, which is 200 megabytes. Once the internet is on campus, University Technology Services dispenses the wireless from there. Rather than being divided by building, these megabytes of bandwidth serve the entire campus. The only limit imposed on bandwidth is concurrent with the amount of downloads.

Every building on campus is outfitted for wireless to some extent, save for Alumni and Roderick, as these buildings are outdoors. UTS acknowledges that apartment buildings one and two do not have adequate wireless, a fact attributed to the construction of the buildings. Routers aside, the majority of Saint Leo's campus is wireless.

Why not outfit the whole campus with appropriate wireless devices? According to Lloyd, outfitting the whole campus for wireless would cost nearly a half million dollars, largely because of the special devices necessary to outfit Roderick and Alumni. On a yearly basis, the campus spends nearly one hundred thousand dollars to update the wireless and make it more accessible. The campus attempts to rectify the buildings with the slowest connectivity first, but this is not a guarantee.

How, then, do routers affect wireless connectivity? According to the email issued from UTS, most routers, when used straight out of the box, come with the same network address on them. If not properly configured, there will be many people operating their routers off the same address, which hinders the network from connecting properly. This does not mean students cannot use routers; if brought to UTS, students can have their routers properly configured. In the email, UTS even provides instructions for students to set up their routers.

Though the internet on campus is far from perfect, there are steps to be taken to improve its performance. If all students were to follow the instructions regarding routers, this would at least alleviate some of the issues. In short, when using a router, set it up properly, lest the internet be gone for the rest of campus.

Clubbing, Campus Style

BY SHAINA SMITH
Lions' Pride Staff Writer

Clubs. Not the dance club *Illusions,* or the clubs in Ybor, but the ones located nearest to you. Saint Leo University offers over 70 student organizations and each one is special and unique. Some organizations are well known, such as CAB, and the Samaritans. Others, like the Society of Free Thinkers, and the Commuter Club are less known. Organizations are divided into eight different sections: academic, international, special interest, honor, political, religious service, recreational, and greek. The *Lions' Pride* is dedicated to getting students involved on campus. That's why this newspaper will begin introducing clubs every issue.

SAMARITANS

Samaritans is a student run organization sponsored by University Ministry. It is not, however, only a Catholic based organization.

"Everyone interested in serving the community, no matter their religion, is welcome to join," said Samaritan President Jessica Cannon.

"If you are interested and cannot be a full time member, you are welcome to attend meetings and participate in any events."

They perform a lot of community service activities around the area such as an on campus teddy bear and clothing drive, Good Samaritans, Love One Another, and Foster Children Parties. This semester they have made up a calendar detailing when and where all of their events will be taking place. The Samaritans meet every Thursday in SAB 117 at 6pm. For more information on the Samaritans, to obtain the calendar of events, or to join them, contact Jessica Cannon at *jessica.cannon@email.saintleo.edu.*

STUDENT GOVERNMENT UNION (SGU)

According to the Student Government Union Constitution, "The [SGU] is the voice of the student body and acts as the advocate for student needs and is the liaison between the students and members of the Saint Leo University faculty, staff, and administration. An advocate that promotes leadership through the students, instills pride, provides financial support, and embraces the spiritual, emotional, and physical aspects of the student body."

The SGU is elected each spring semester, while several liaison positions and freshmen class officers are selected during the fall semester. "Our organization is about empowering the student voice to be heard all over the campus," said Amanda Cassar, SGU President, "We want any and all students to become involved." SGU meets every other Wednesday at 6PM in Selby Auditorium. For more information about Student Government Union, call the SGU office at extension 8375 or contact Amanda Cassar at *amanda.cassar@email.saintleo.edu.*

How to configure a router

Courtesy of UTS

1) Disable DHCP on your router

2) Plug the Ethernet cable from the wall into your router's LAN port, NOT the internet/WAN port.

3) Plug your laptop into one of the other Ethernet ports on your router and see if you can access the network.

4) Make sure your wireless port on your laptop is enabled. Unplug the Ethernet cable from your laptop and verify that the wireless network you just setup is available on your laptop by clicking the wireless icon on the bottom right-hand side of the screen.

5) Double click on the name of your network and you should be good to go. These instructions will work on most routers but please refer to your user's manual for further instructions. If you are unable to set this up, please bring your router, user manual, and power cord to the UTS building.

Erosion destroys beach

BY MINDY PIERCE
Lions' Pride Sports Editor

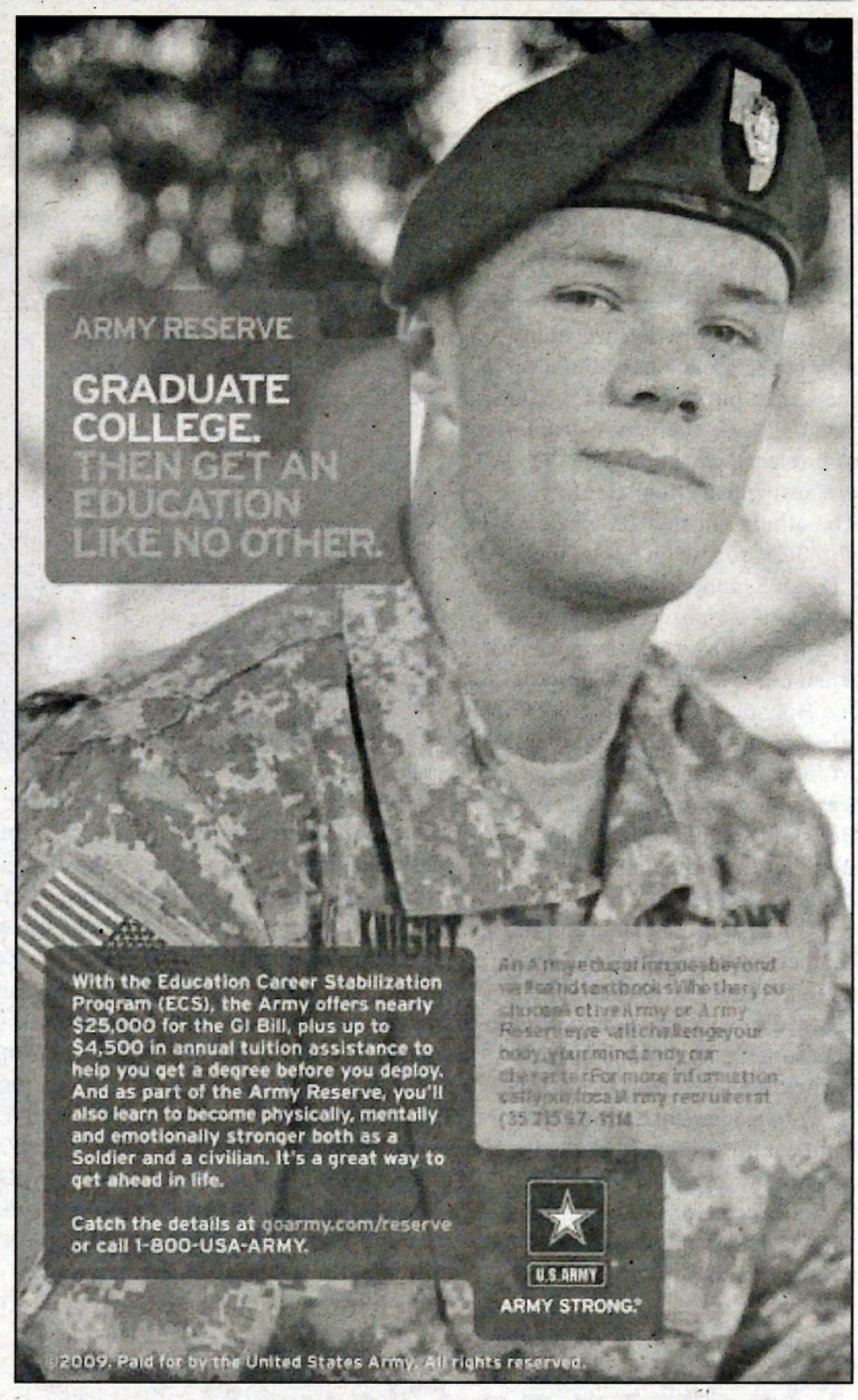
Beaches are a major part of tourism and contribute over $640 billion annually to the US economy. That makes up 85% of all tourist revenue according to the Clean Beaches Council. While many people who reside in the St. Petersburg area and tourists visit the Clearwater beach often, the signs of erosion on the beach are unavoidable.

The erosion began in the 1950's from unregulated coastal development and included dredge-and-fill construction in the back barrier bays. To protect the shores, two groins, which are rock walls, were built along the beach to save some of the beach erosion. This is a simple solution, and it seemed to be ideal with an addition of 25 more groins. This setup worked for about ten years, and seawalls were built to retain most of the sand on the beach according to the Clean Beaches Council. But by 1961, these methods did not prove sufficient because they did not lack the sediment supply. A coastal engineer during the 1960's recommended beach nourishment as an alternate form of shore protection and the beaches would start recovering. How will the beach erosion be stopped today?

Erosion control is a key component to preventing greatly impacting erosion every year. There are, however, unavoidable disasters that can greatly harm the beaches of Clearwater. Hurricanes are a major contributing factor to the present day beach erosion. Back in 2004, Clearwater beach became much larger than usual after a hurricane, and in 2009, hurricane Hanna was a big concern for beach erosion. The most preventable solution to the Clearwater beach erosion is the involvement of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, which is part of the Bureau of Beaches and Coastal Systems. They are in charge of Pinellas County which covers Clearwater beach, Indian Rocks beach, Treasure Island, St. Petersburg Beach, Mullet Key, and Egmont Key.

Coastal managers of the Environmental Protection Agency are currently working on the restoration process in the Pinellas County. Their plan is to transfer about 1,319,000 cubic centimeters of sand, which will ultimately provide 60 feet worth of protective beach. All of this restoration of the beaches in Pinellas County will result in a total of 18.9 miles of protection according to the Clean Beaches Council.

If you are interested in helping the Clearwater beach erosion restoration project, please contact the Beach Wave Campaign which provides public awareness of the erosion issue as well as stewardship and sustainability. Please go to http://www.csc.noaa.gov/cz/CZ05_Proceedings/pdf%20files/McLeod.pdf for more information.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38 species in danger in Mojave Desert

BY BROOKE KING
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The world tay is colliding into a mass panic to find alternatives in energy and fuel. However, good intentions for eco-friendly alternatives are producing disastrous results for the environment and its inhabitants. One such project that has made headlines not only in the newspapers, but also in the science classrooms of Saint Leo, is the project known as the Ivanpah Valley Solar Energy Project.

Bright Source, a subsidiary company of BP Alternative Energy, was given the bid for the project by the California Energy Commission(CEC). On August 31, 2007 Bright Source submitted its application for certification to the CEC in the hopes that they could create three solar thermal power plants and shared facilities in the close proximity to the southernmost part of California's Mojave National Preserve and 3.1 miles away from the California-Nevada border. The amount of land requested for this project is over 3,400 acres or approximately 5.3 square miles. The land would include the shared facilities, three solar thermal towers, as well as access roads and power lines leading away from the site. This site would produce anywhere from 200-300 megawatts of solar energy, which is enough to power 140,000 homes annually.

As it stands, the project has been halted due to environmental concerns over the indigenous species that inhabit the area where the project is suppose to be breaking ground at the end of the year. The concern is the 38 species of plants and animals that inhabit the site of the project. Though it is costly to move these species, the main concern is that these inhabitants will try and move back into the site area from which they were relocated. The species of main concern for this is the Desert Tortoise. Relocating or translocation of this species has been proven to be problematic.

"Currently some of the tortoises would be relocated a short distance to the west and north of the project and out of harm's way. However, these areas are also slated for solar developments and two high speed train routes, which will not guarantee these tortoises a safe future," said Laura Cunningham, a tortoise biologist from Basin and Range Watch.

Incidentally, a government tortoise translocation project conducted by the military during the Fort Erwin Expansion, showed that the efforts of movement of these tortoises to be an utter failure. The tortoises were moved at the beginning of March 2008 and ended in December of 2009. Of the tortoises that were relocated 44.3% died and 17.4 % are still unaccounted for and are presumed mostly likely dead. The August 2010 Draft Independent Science Advisors Reports for the Desert Renewable Energy Conservation Plan strongly recommended against the translocation/relocation of the tortoises on the Ivanpah Valley Solar Site. As it stands, the Mojave National Preserve has denied the request from the CEC for the relocation of the tortoises onto the property. However, the Tortoise Translocation Plan is still in drafting stages and will be finalized before ground is broken at the end of the year.

Saint Leo University students in Professor Peterson's science class were given this information, and some were appalled by the project idea, and by the endangerment to the local species at the site. As a reaction to this, Professor Peterson decided that the students should write letters to the CEC. Though some students did not like getting involved, and some were less than thrilled about writing letters to a government committee all the way in California, other students took it upon themselves to write extensive letters concerning their views on the Ivanpah Project.

"My opinion on the solar panels is positive. I think it's a great idea. Eventually, we are going to run out of fossil fuels and are going to need to use our natural resources like the sun and wind that we are not going to run out of," said junior Ryan Regidor.

He goes on to say that he wishes a different company had control of the project because he feels that there have been enough large corporations that have taken projects like this and wasted what little natural resources we have left.

"I think we need to step back and reevaluate all of our options about the companies we hire and about who will ultimately get hold of the California stimulus money that the project will be using. If these big companies (BP, Chevron, and Goldman Sacks) bring the same making-a quick buck fundamental ideas to the table that they had in previous business transactions, then we as a country should have nothing to do with them," said Luke Haniford, a junior student from Professor Peterson's science class.

Many other students and public figures are getting involved in the fight to find a better solution to the current issues surrounding the Ivanpah Project. As a member of Saint Leo University, if you wish to get involved with the fight or you want to help in the furthering of alternatives in energy, the project is still in certification stages with the California Energy Commission.

All are encouraged by the CEC to submit written comments, but comments can also be emailed to CEC. Please include name and organization, and identify all comments with the docket number (Docket No. 07-AFC-5), all comments must be in Microsoft Word format, and emailed to docket@energy.state.ca.us. One paper copy must also be sent to:
The Energy Commission Docket Unit
1516 Ninth Street, MS-4
Sacramento, Ca 95814.

Arts & Entertainment

Star-studded super group debuts first album

BY ANDREW LEVENGOOD
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In the past two years, many new super groups have burst on to the scene, but this month the new group, *Black Country Communion*, will release what could be the greatest super group album yet. The album entitled *Black Country* will be available on September 20 in CD, MP3, and vinyl format.

Black Country Communion was formed by sheer happenstance when blues master and guitarist Joe Bonamassa and the great Glenn Hughes decided to record together. At the suggestion of producer Kevin Shirley, they invited Jason Bonham, son of the late John Bonham from the band *Led Zeppelin* to join on drums.

Guitarist Bonamassa felt the band could use a fourth member, though the band was originally planned to be a power trio. So, the new super group added a master keyboard player, Derek Sherinian. Now, four members strong, the band continued recording their new album which features brand new tracks except for the cover of "*Medusa,*" a song Glenn Hughes wrote when he was in the band *Trapeze*.

The super group's members

Photo Courtesy of Flickr

Joe Bonamassa has established himself as one of the greatest blues guitar players of all time. He toured with Buddy Guy, Foreigner, Greg Allman, and Joe Cocker as a back up artist in addition to his amazing solo career. He is the youngest member of *Black Country Communion* at age 33.

Jason Bonham is the son of legendary drummer John Bonham, but that alone could not define him. Jason has had an illustrious musical career. He has been in many bands including *Bonham, Foreigner, UFO*, the fictitious band *Steel Dragon* (from the movie *Rock Star*), as a replacement for his father in *Led Zeppelin*, and in another super group called *Damnocracy*.

Derek Sherinian is one of the most gifted keyboardists on the rock scene having performed with *Planet X, KISS, Alice Cooper, Billy Idol, Yngwie Malmsteen*, and *Dream Theater.* Also, he has had a successful solo career though it was less recognized than his band mates.

Glenn Hughes handles both lead vocals and bass. Hughes has been a part of *Black Sabbath, Deep Purple, Trapeze, and Tony Iommi.* He offers one of the most soulful voices in rock, and one of its largest personalities. He also appeared with the band *Heaven and Hell* in tribute to his great friend Ronnie James Dio who died this past summer of stomach cancer.

Their new album features the song "*One Last Soul.*" This song not only shows great chemistry (something usually lacking in a super group), but the breathtaking skill of all four members. Also, *"The Great Divide"* showcases the masterful blues ability of both Hughes and Bonamassa with perfectly timed drum fills from Bonham. Also, they have performed the song "*Mistreated*" live on the album, which offers the listener a glimpse into a rock-infused blues extravaganza with classic R&B flair from Glenn Hughes.

Black Country Communion looks to be as successful as new super groups *Chickenfoot* and *Them Crooked Vultures*, but with more of a combination of many genres, which may be more popular. *Black Country* is available September 20 at all record distributors.

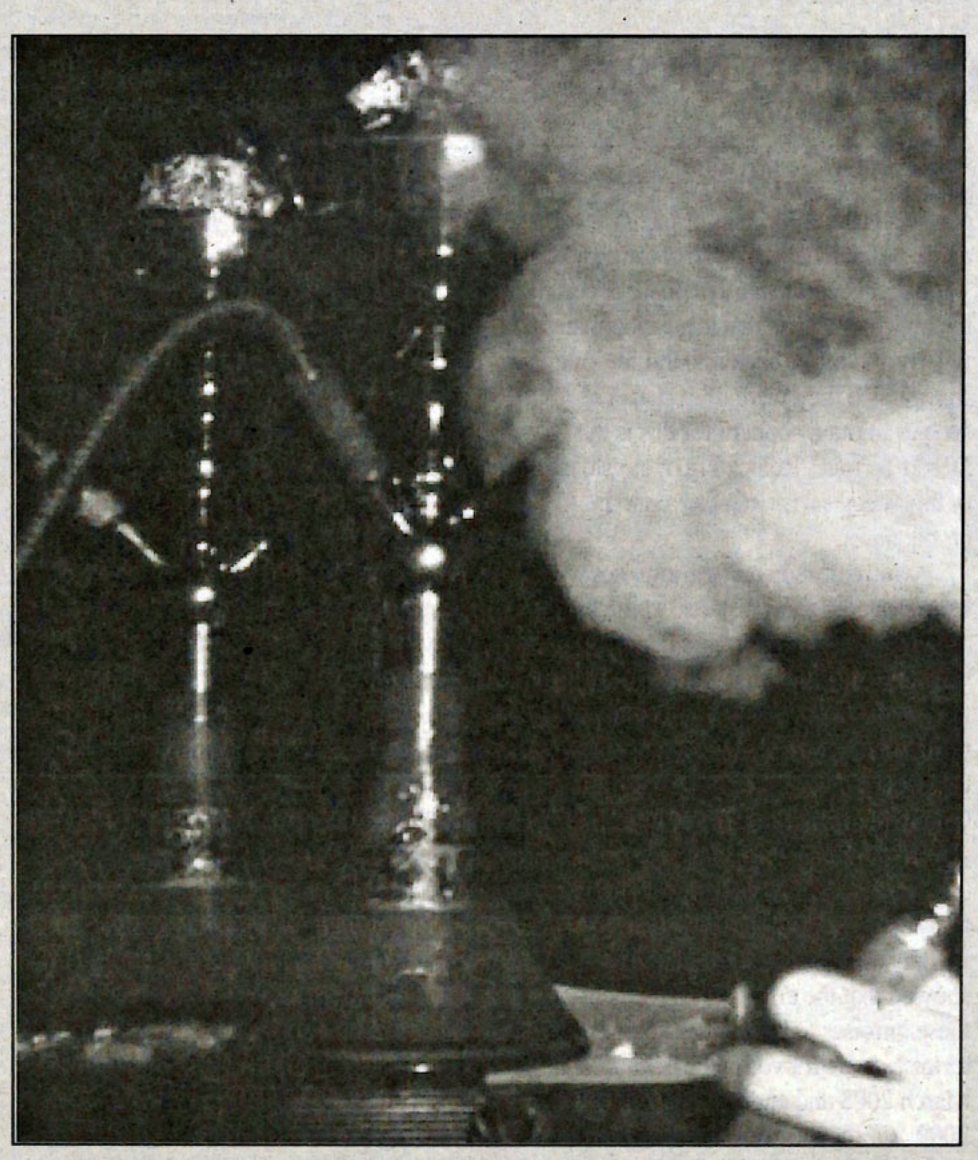
Floating on Cloud 9

BY JORDAN COATES
Lions' Pride Editor in Chief

The hidden hot spot calling itself *Cloud 9* is a bit of a bar, yet not quite a party, and a little like a lounge; whichever it is, it is calling attention to Saint Leo University students.

Although they claim to be right off 301, *Cloud 9* is down a small secreted road on 5434 7th Street, Zephyrhills. This establishment is formally known as a hookah lounge, but these days it is appearing to be much more. The general managers of the lounge are Bradely Gorgen and Darrick Seles.

Cloud 9 is rather small when looking at its exterior, however, inside it appears much larger and much more alive. Inside, Gorgen and Seles offer a pool table, beer pong table complete with pitcher deals, corn hole, and of course, comfortable lounge sofas adjacent to the tables filled with hookahs. Like most hookah lounges, a variety of flavored tobacco options are available. The bar is small and does not have a huge selection, but it covers most of the basics. The simple luxury of a place like this is the variety. It is perfect to play a relaxing game of pool, or challenge a companion to an exciting, yet friendly game of beer pong. Corn hole, a seemingly odd choice, is just that, a random source of entertainment. When the lights are dimed and the music is playing, sinking into the couch and becoming hidden among the scented smoke can be quite enjoyable. Dancing is accepted, yet optional. *Cloud 9* also offers movie nights, game nights, nickel beer nights, and nights for fights and sports games. This establishment is perfect for college students and has the convenience of location.



Tobacco hookah lounges are popular among college students

Photo by Jordan Coates

"We go there because it's close, and it's an inexpensive night in a classy environment. The owner is young and down to earth. Not only is it a hookah lounge, you can also hang out with your friends and play corn hole or beer pong, if you're of age of course," said Keith Fairlie, a Saint Leo Univeristy student and avid Cloud 9 attendee.

Since it won't even take a full tank of gas for this trip, check out its nearby locations. These include: *Pin Chasers* Bowling alley, *Zephyrhills Cinema 10*, and *CiCi's Pizza*. It might be short, but it's fun; no one ever said there was a wrong way to travel. Just remember to travel safely. The lounge is open Monday-Wednesday 6:00 pm-12:00 am, Thursday-Saturday 8:00 pm-2:00 am, and Sunday 8:00 pm-12:00 am. Check out *Cloud 9 Hookah Bar* on FaceBook.

Alternative rock band gets re-"*Invented*"

BY CHERALYN BARRINGTON
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What do the phrases "Bleed American," "Chase this Light," and "Static Prevails" have in common?

They are all titles of Jimmy Eat World albums. Why is this relevant? *Jimmy Eat World* has returned from a three year album hiatus with *Invented* to be released on September 28. This is the first album since 2007's *Chase This Light*, which became the bands most successful album, reaching number five on the *Billboard 200 Album Chart*. *Invented* brings fans 12 new songs, including the single *My Best Theory* that hit airwaves in August. Producer Mark Trombino who worked with the band on older albums *Bleed American*, *Static Prevails*, and *Clarity*, returned to work on this much anticipated album.

"We're very excited about *Invented*. It was great reconnecting and creating an album with Mark Trombino; we can't wait for our fans to hear it," said lead singer and guitarist Jim Adkins.

As well as bringing back Trombino, the bands guitarist Tom Linton will be singing on this album. Linton has not lent his vocals for an album in 11 years. When a fan posted a thread on the band's website posing the question, "Why doesn't Tom sing anymore?" the lead singer, Jim Adkins, responded accordingly.

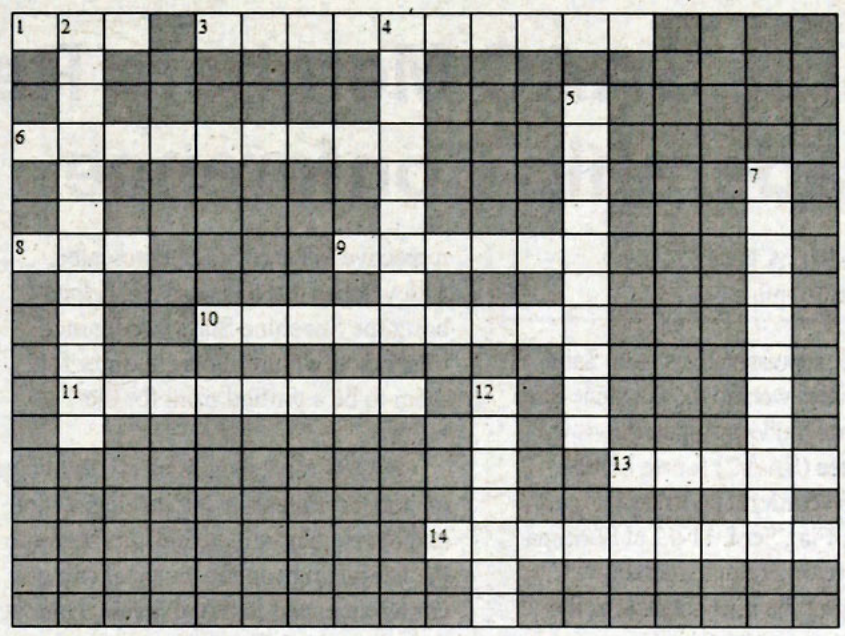
"Tom cut a main vocal for a new song. It will most likely be on the album, and not a b-side," said Adkins.

Though Jimmy Eat World seemingly disappeared off the charts for three years, they had a lot on their agenda. In addition to working on *Invented,* the band did a ten date tour in commemoration of the tenth anniversary of *Clarity*, an album released in 1999 which includes the single *Lucky Denver Mint*.

For those who want to get a taste of what *Invented* sounds like, jimmyeatworld.com includes one minute demos of each song, and two full length tracks. The band will also be performing on *The Late Show with David Letterman* on September 24.

Will *Invented* be the best *Jimmy Eat World* album yet? Time will tell.

All About Saint Leo University



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6. All boys dorm
8. Houses the Cafe and Lion's Lair(Abbre.)
9. All girls dorm
10. Can purchase books here
11. Building that has theater and classes
13. Building that houses classes
14. School

DOWN

2. Place of worship and prayer
4. Houses TRANE STOP
5. There are 4 on campus
7. Student run campus newspaper
12. Great place to study and checkout books

For answers to this crossword please go to prideonline.saintleo.edu

Rattlesnake Festival Strikes Again

BY JORDAN STEVENS
Lions' Pride Staff Writer

It is that time again that the Rattlesnake Festival slithers to San Antonio. As the years progress, it has become less about the catch of a great rattler, but more about the fun it brings to the small town.

Over 40 years ago, the Rattlesnake Festival was known for being a community fundraiser. But now the festival is a non-profit event hosted by Rattlesnake and Gopher Enthusiasts (R.A.G.E). This year marks the 44th annual Rattlesnake Festival. Since 1967, the event has always been held the third Saturday of the month in October. This year, the Rattlesnake Festival will be held on October 16 and 17.

Back in the day, before the snakes were brought in by professional handlers, young men would venture out to nearby ranches searching for the perfect snake to showcase at the festival. Armed with their snake boots and sacks, the men would catch their snakes with their own two hands. In the 1960's, the winner would receive a pair of boots from Hardy's in Dade City. Now the Hardy's has been closed and they brought professionals to the festival.

There will be free admission and parking for all attendees and the festival will be running free shuttles to and from the parking lot. The event will kick off with the 5 mile Rattlesnake Run where hundreds of people are known to participate. This year's runners will venture through some of the most beautiful parts of the town. Other events include gopher tortoise races, a petting zoo, pony rides, and a pancake breakfast.

As always, the Rattlesnake Festival will host the free arts and crafts fair, children's games, a classic car show, and many musical entertainers. The musical entertainers will be performing on two different stages. Another great attraction will be John Storm's Reptile Show, and Jim Mendenhall Snake Show. The prices for those shows will be $5 for adults and $2 for kids 12 years and under.

All the beautiful arts and crafts, free entertainment, and, of course, the famous barbeque chicken will make for a great weekend of fun.

Dates: Saturday October 16th 9:00am-4:00pm

Sunday October 17th 11:00am-4:00pm

For more information, visit: www.rattlesnakefestival.com

Musical trio takes on Tampa

BY JORDAN COATES
Lions' Pride Editor in Chief

On Saturday September 18 at 7:30 pm, the crowded 1-*800-ASK-GARY Amphitheatre* anxiously awaited the sweet sounds of *The Whigs*, *The Black Keys*, and *The Kings of Leon*.

While the rhythms of *The Whigs* were quite enjoyable, the real excitement was built up for the musical sensations, *The Black Keys* and *The Kings of Leon* and more importantly, the union of these two great bands in concert. *The Black Keys*, originally from Akron, Ohio is a vocalist/guitarist and drummer/producer duo. The band's music is considered American blues-rock and was formed in 2001. *The Kings of Leon* from Franklin, Tennessee, and formed in 1999, is a family band, consisting of three brothers and their cousin.

Looking back in music history great artists like *The Beatles, Bob Dylan*, and *The Rolling Stones* have made their mark. While great music like this still exists from the past, what artists or bands will be the markers for this generation?

"*The Black Keys* and *The Kings of Leon* are two of the best bands, both musically and lyrically, to emerge from this generation," said senior Krystal Filsinger, a long time fan who made sure to attend this epic concert.

Perhaps this statement will hold true, and Filsinger and the hundreds of other fans attending will have witnessed musical and lyrical history in the making. Aside from this suggestion, it is fair to say that these two bands put on quite a show. Seats and lawn alike, the theatre was packed. Fans were dancing and singing along to the music the whole show through. The music was capturing, and the light show on stage was brightly colored and perfectly in sync with each song. The stage really lit up the theatre and sent energy spinning through the crowd. "Times gets tough, oh they get tougher
Hold on to me - I got you darling
Cus I'm the one who's gonna show when there's nobody I'll be your man"
-The Black Keys, *I'll be your man*

After a great opening by The Whigs, The Black Keys took the stage and answered the crowds' screams and shouts with their song *I'll Be Your Man*. The band's encouraging and catchy lyrics filled the theatre song after song, with a really great performance of the popular song, *Tighten Up*.

"I like to dance all night,
summons the day
But that's how I play,
yeah that's how I play
I said who are you?
Don't matter who you are
So we dance all night and
dance all day I say, I say"
-The Kings of Leon, *Manhattan*.

Following the Keys performance, *The Kings of Leon* entered the stage for the closing act. They opened with *Manhattan* and continued on with songs from both their past albums and their newest album, *Come Around Sundown*.

The concert ended on a great note and happy, musically fulfilled fans filed out of the amphitheatre. The trio will move on to their next concert location but have definitely left a mark on Tampa. Having witnessed this incredible combination of music, it seems very possible that *The Black Keys* and *The Kings of Leon* will be famous markers in music for this generation.

Sports

Three SAAC Members Represent Saint Leo at Leadership Conference

BY JESSICA PALL
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Three representatives from Saint Leo Athletics went to the Sunshine State Conference Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) fourth annual E.L.I.T.E. conference in downtown Orlando, Fla., Sept. 11-12 at Sonespa Hotel to learn about leadership.

Each of the nine schools in the Sunshine State Conference was represented by their SAAC advisor along with two student-athletes involved in SAAC, including Erika Brennan, Saint Leo's SAAC advisor and head women's golf coach; Liz Casey, SAAC president and senior Lions' swimmer; and Scott Stefanek, senior soccer player and SAAC representative for Saint Leo.

"The overall purpose of the weekend was for the selected SAAC representatives in the Sunshine State Conference to be part of a leadership weekend where we could all learn how to be better leaders while doing some identity searching as well," Stefanek said.

Casey believed that the overall purpose for the weekend was to learn from the other SAAC representatives in the conference through sharing ideas and working through important issues respective to the colleges represented. Casey hoped that this weekend helped bring the Sunshine State Conference together as a community in order for them to be a unified front for the NCAA.

SAAC representatives are the voice of student-athletes at NCAA legislation and the student-athlete liaisons between the happenings on the levels of campus, conference, and national levels. Here at Leo, they also offer input on the rules, regulations and policies that affect student-athletes lives on the Saint Leo campus

Brennan, who has been the SAAC advisor for three years, said that the weekend allowed the student-athletes to develop leadership skills and for them to network through developing ideas to bring back to their respective campuses.

At the conference, each student-athlete took a test called the D.I.S.C. assessment to learn more about their personality types and styles in order for them to know how they lead as an individual along with developing skills to work with others with different strengths.

D.I.S.C. stands for dominant, influence, steadiness, and conscientious.

Stefanek explained that after the survey test, the student-athletes were put into groups with their fellow leaders who displayed similar leadership qualities for team building exercises.

Once in groups, the students were instructed to work together to construct a square using ropes, blindfolded.

"The problem was," Stefanek said, "most of the dominant leaders tried to take over, while the rest of the leadership styles sat back and let them lead. However, while being captained by the dominant leaders, we failed miserably and came to the conclusion afterwards that although dominant leaders are great, they have to learn how to have a positive influence on the influential, steady, and conscientious leadership styles in order for success.

Casey also felt that she benefited from this exercise.

"Because I learned with detailed description what type of leader I am and how to work with other personalities and leaders," Casey said, "I can help bring our campus community together, with team building activities and community development projects."

The speaker at the conference was Dr. Richard Luker, a highly successful sociologist most known for his creation of the ESPN Sports Poll. In his presentation, Luker said that there is a great need for the improvement of community level in all of society, although especially on college campuses.

Stefanek said the Luker taught him and the students that community is not created through technological chat rooms or text messages; however, it breeds through face to face, real interaction.

"With this," Stefanek said, "I feel that we can create a much larger, more cohesive family at Saint Leo by broadening our horizons on campus, and going to the extra mile to meet and greet all our peers on daily basis because this, according to Dr. Luker, is how one creates community."

This conference is proof that expectations for SAAC this year are opening up new doors of opportunity.

"We are raising the bar this year," Brennan said, "as the leaders of SAAC have many goals and expectations, and will certainly rise to the occasion to follow through."

Overall, Casey believes that the weekend was a success and that her, Scott, and Brennan will be able to utilize the ideas and encouragement they brought back from the conference.

"We are looking to do a lot more community engagement activities not only with our campus but in the surrounding Dade City area," Casey said, "we want more fans to come to the games and more people excited about Saint Leo athletics and the great things that are happening here."

All about Lions' Athletics

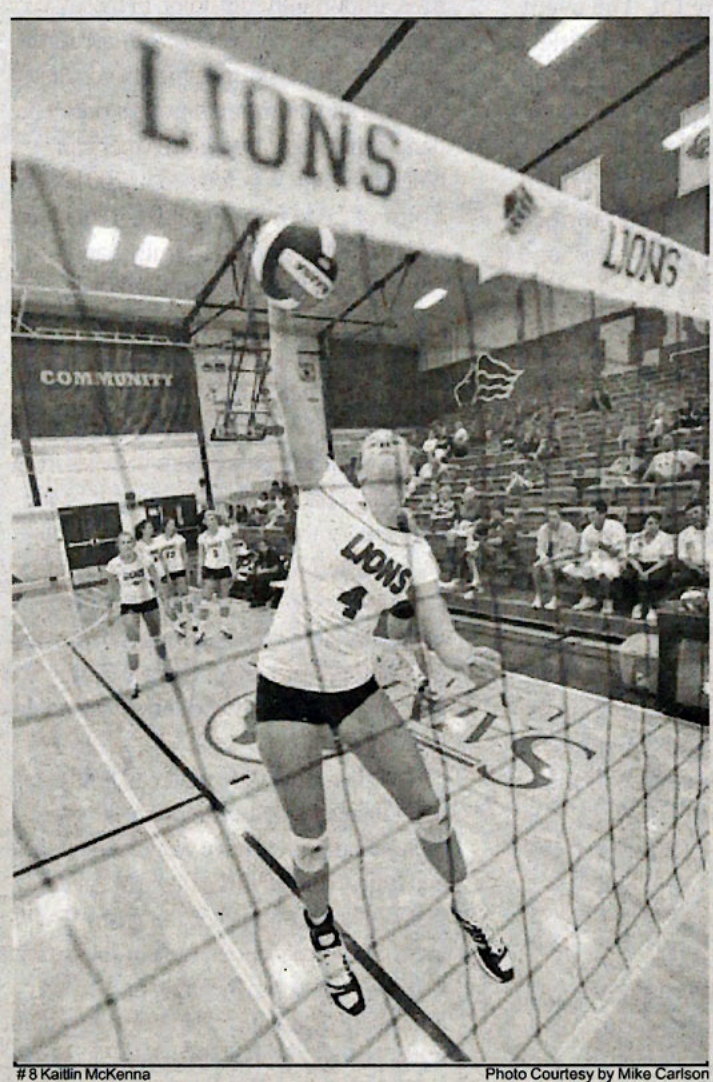
No. 22 ranked nationally Division II Lions' volleyball begins Sunshine State Conference with match win over Nova Southeastern (3-1) Sept. 17. Lions were upset however by Barry University shortly after on Sept. 18 (1-3). Support your Lions volleyball at their next home game on Sept. 25 against conference rival Florida Southern at 4p.m.

BY DANA JENNINGS
Lions' Pride Sports Writer

Soccer is rolling, volleyball is hitting, cross country is running, golf is swinging, and all sports are getting prepped for the new season. There are games all over our calendar that are free for students to attend, and the excitement of live sports is in the air.

Home games need fans for the school to attend, as the "home field advantage" is a real phenomenon and can sway the momentum of the games. Most of Saint Leo University's games are at night or on the weekends, after most classes, and all games are free for students. This is a great way for students to get out of the residence halls and socialize with other students and watch exciting games of various sports.

Exciting sports activities are around, waiting to be found. All students need to do is look to the correct places. CAB and the athletics department are great resources to find fun and engaging activities for the avid sports lover.



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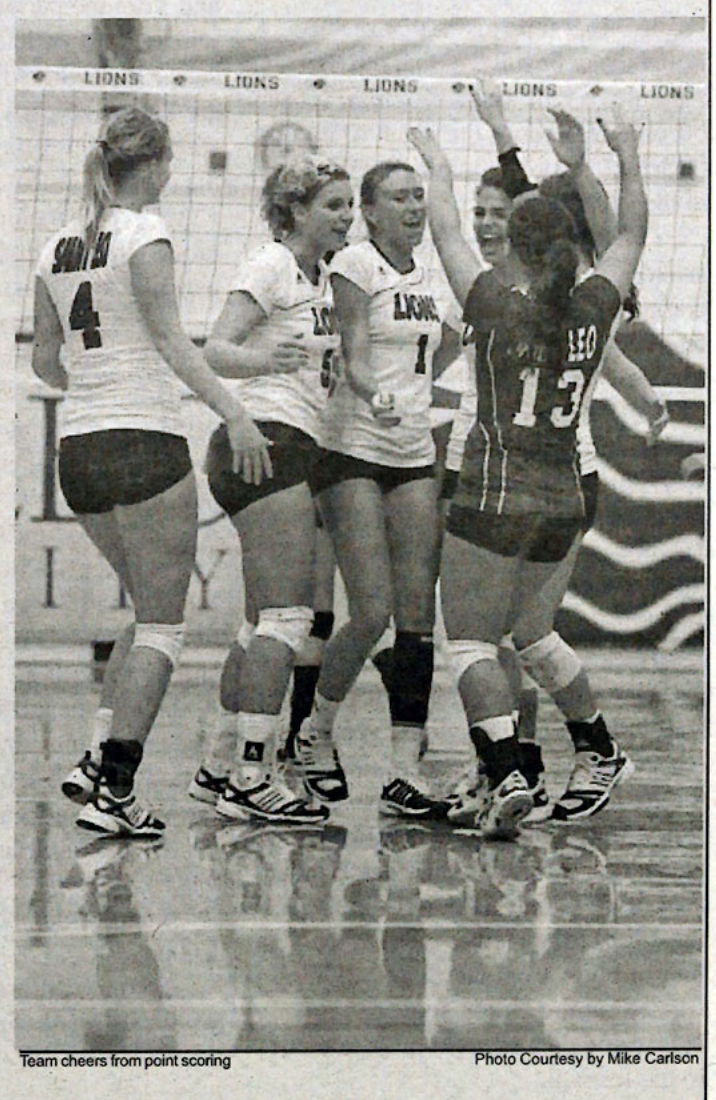

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